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CHAPTER II

DEMAND

under Article 31 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:
the undersigned requests that the international application specified below be the subject of
international preliminary examination according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty and
hereby elects all eligible States (except where otherwise indicated).

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| Identification of IPEA | | Date of receipt of DEMAND |
| Box No. I IDENTIFICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION | | Applicant's or agent's file reference 589145C |
| International application No. PCT/AU03/00417 | International filing date (day/month/year) 7 April 2003 (07/04/03) | (Earliest) Priority date (day/month/year) 5 April 2002 (05/04/02) |
| Title of invention Process and Apparatus for Use in Preparing an Aqueous Magnesium Bicarbonate Solution | | |
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The following person is ☒ agent ☐ common representative
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☐ is hereby appointed, specifically for the procedure before the International Preliminary Examining Authority, in addition to the agent(s)/common representative appointed earlier.

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Box No. IV BASIS FOR INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION**Statement concerning amendments:***

1. The applicant wishes the international preliminary examination to start on the basis of:

- ☒ the international application as originally filed
 the description ☐ as originally filed
☐ as amended under Article 34
- the claims ☐ as originally filed
☐ as amended under Article 19 (together with any accompanying statement)
☐ as amended under Article 34
- the drawings ☐ as originally filed
☐ as amended under Article 34

2. ☐ The applicant wishes any amendment to claims under Article 19 to be considered as reversed
3. ☐ The applicant wishes the start of the international preliminary examination to be postponed until the expiration of 20 months from the priority date unless the International Preliminary Examination Authority receives a copy of any amendments made under Article 19 or a notice from the applicant that he does not wish to make such amendments (Rule 69.1(d)). *(This check-box may be marked only where the time limit under Article 19 has not yet expired.)*

* Where no check-box is marked, international preliminary examination will start on the basis of the international application as originally filed or, where a copy of amendments to the claims under Article 19 and/or amendments of the international application under Article 34 are received by the International Preliminary Examining Authority before it has begun to draw up a written opinion or the international preliminary examination report, as so amended.

Language for the purposes of international preliminary examination: English

- ☒ which is the language in which the international application was filed.
☐ which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search.
☐ which is the language of publication of the international application.
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Box No. V ELECTION OF STATES

The applicant hereby elects all eligible States *(that is, all States which have been designated and which are bound by Chapter II of the PCT)*

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Box No. VI CHECK LIST

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| 1. | translation of international application | : | sheets |
| 2. | amendments under Article 34 | : | sheets |
| 3. | copy (or, where required, translation) of of amendments under Article 19 | : | sheets |
| 4. | copy (or, where required, translation) of statement under Article 19 | : | sheets |
| 5. | letter | : | sheets |
| 6. | other (<i>specify</i>) | : | sheets |

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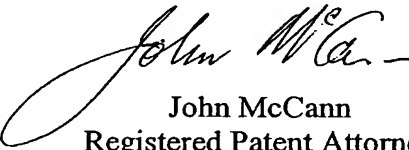
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Box No. VII SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, AGENT OR COMMON REPRESENTATIVE

Next to each signature, indicate the name of the person signing and the capacity in which the person signs (if such capacity is not obvious from reading the demand).


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| 1. | Date of actual receipt of DEMAND |
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| 3. | <input type="checkbox"/> The date of receipt of the demand is AFTER the expiration of 19 months from the priority date and item 4 and 5, below, does not apply. <input type="checkbox"/> The applicant has been informed accordingly. |
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